



S. 2206 – A bill to provide technical corrections to Public Law 109-116 (2 U.S.C. 2131a note) to extend the time period for the Joint Committee on the Library to enter into an agreement to obtain a statue of Rosa Parks, and for other purposes.

FLOOR SITUATION

S. 2206 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-CA) on October 18, 2007. The Senate passed the bill by unanimous consent on October 18, 2007. It was referred to the House Committee on House Administration, but was never considered.

SUMMARY

S. 2206 makes technical corrections to P.L. 109-116, which directs the Joint Committee on the Library to obtain a statue of Rosa Parks for placement in the U.S. Capitol in National Statuary Hall. S. 2206 grants the Joint Committee an additional two years to enter into an agreement for the statue.

BACKGROUND

P.L. 109-116 was first signed into law by President Bush December 1, 2005. The legislation was sponsored by Rep. Jesse Jackson (D-IL).

Rosa Parks was a civil rights pioneer whose courageous efforts helped promote equality and justice and eradicate segregation in American society. On December 1, 1955, Rosa Parks was arrested for refusing to give up her seat on a bus for a white passenger. She continued her fight against discrimination in the Montgomery bus boycott and other activities.

Rosa Parks has been awarded numerous honors, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1996 and the Congressional Gold Medal in 1999. She died on October 24, 2005, at the age 92.

COST

The Congressional Budget Office has not scored this legislation.

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